

REMARKS:

In the Office Action mailed September 23, 2005 the Examiner rejected claims 1-18. In response, an Amendment was filed on February 23, 2006. This is a Supplemental Amendment to the Amendment filed on February 23, 2006. Claims 5, 13, 14 and 18 are amended herein. Claims 3, 4 and 15 remain cancelled. No new matter is presented.

A telephone message was left for the Examiner on March 23, 2006 regarding consideration of this Supplemental Amendment in conjunction with the Amendment filed on February 23, 2006, to which the Examiner responded stating that it would be acceptable to do so.

Entry of amendments to claims 5, 13, 14 and 18 as shown herein is respectfully requested. All arguments and amendments from the February 23, 2006 Amendment are incorporated herein.

Thus, claims 1, 2, 5-14 and 16-19 are pending and under consideration. The rejections are traversed below.

CONCLUSION:

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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